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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
Won Tae KIM et al.

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**
Confirmation No.: 6504

Serial No.: 10/614,166

Group Art Unit: 6504

Filed: 7/8/2003

Examiner: Trinh Vo DINH

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DRIVING PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the outstanding rejection. Claims 1-15 are pending in this application.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent 6,525,701 to Kang in view of U.S. Patent 6,384,802 to Moon. On April 15, 2005, applicants' undersigned attorney confirmed with Examiner Dinh that the rejection is based on 35 U.S.C. §103(a) and not 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as stated in the Office Action.

The present application is subject to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103(c) which states (in applicants' words) that subject matter developed by another person which qualifies as prior art under subsection (e) of Section 102 shall not preclude patentability under Section 103 when the subject matter and the claimed invention were at the time the invention was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person.

Reply to Office Action dated April 8, 2005

Kang and the present application were both commonly assigned to LG Electronics Inc. at the time the invention was made. Additionally, the rejection based on Kang appears to be based on Kang qualifying as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(e). Thus, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §103(c), Kang is disqualified as prior art. See MPEP §706.02(l)(1). Furthermore, Moon does not teach or suggest all the features of the claims. Thus, the rejection should be respectfully withdrawn for at least these reasons.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-15 are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, David C. Oren, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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